REMARKS

Claim Rejections

Claims 1-20 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph. Claims 1, and claims 2-20, which are dependent thereon, would be allowable if rewritten or amended to overcome the rejection(s) under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as set forth in the outstanding Office Action.

Drawings

Applicant proposes to amend Figure 2 as illustrated in red on the attached photocopy. In Figure 1, it is proposed to change reference number "201" to read –210–. No "new matter" has been added to the original disclosure by the proposed amendment to this figure. It is believed that the foregoing proposed drawing amendment obviates the outstanding objections to the drawings. Approval of the proposed drawing change is respectfully requested.

It is noted that no Patent Drawing Review (Form PTO-948) was received with the outstanding Office Action. Thus, except for the above proposed drawing corrections, Applicant must assume that the drawings are acceptable as filed.

Abstract of the Disclosure

Applicant is submitting a substitute Abstract of the Disclosure for that originally filed with this application to more clearly describe the claimed invention. Entry of the substitute Abstract of the Disclosure is respectfully requested.

Amendments to Specification

Applicant has amended the specification as noted above to cure obvious grammatical and idiomatic inaccuracies. It is believed that the foregoing amendments to the specification overcome the outstanding objections thereto. No "new matter" has been added to the original disclosure by the foregoing amendments to the specification.

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Claim Amendments

By this Amendment, Applicant has amended claims 1, 2, 4, 6 and 9 to obviate the outstanding rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 112. It is believed that the

amended claims now specifically set forth each element of Applicant's invention in

full compliance with 35 U.S.C. § 112.

Since claims 1-20 have been indicated as being allowable if rewritten or

amended to overcome the rejection(s) under 35 U.S.C. § 112, no detailed

discussion of the cited prior art references is believed to be necessary.

Summary

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicant submits that

this application is now in condition for allowance and such action is respectfully

requested. Should any points remain in issue, which the Examiner feels could best

be resolved by either a personal or a telephone interview, it is urged that Applicant's

local attorney be contacted at the exchange listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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